

### Claims

1. A combination comprising:  
a partition assembly including partitions arranged in a matrix,  
a container having walls extending upwardly from a bottom, said bottom  
5 and said walls of said container defining an interior of said container;  
said partitions being of a length such that said partition assembly may fit  
in said interior of said container without bending said partitions;  
wherein said partition assembly is held in said interior of said container  
by at least one hook and loop fastener.
2. The combination of claim 1 wherein said hook and loop fastener  
comprises a first component secured to an inner surface of one of said container  
walls and a second component secured to one of said partitions.
3. The combination of claim 2 wherein one of said components has hooks  
engaged with loops on the other of said components.
4. The combination of claim 2 wherein said second component is  
adhesively secured to said one of said partitions.
5. The combination of claim 2 wherein said second component of said hook  
and loop fastener is a piece of fabric adhesively secured to opposite side surfaces  
of said one of said partitions.
6. The combination of claim 2 wherein said second component of said hook  
and loop fastener functions as a flexible extension of said one of said partitions.

7. The combination of claim 2 wherein said second component of said hook and loop fastener has a plurality of loops on an exterior surface thereof.
8. The combination of claim 2 wherein said second component of said hook and loop fastener is a flexible tab.
9. The combination of claim 1 wherein said partitions are plastic.

10. A partition assembly for insertion into a container for dividing the space inside the container, said container having a plurality of walls, one component of a two part hook and loop fastener being secured to an inner surface of one of said walls of said container, said partition assembly comprising:

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a plurality of first slotted partitions;

a plurality of second slotted partitions;

said first and second slotted partitions being arranged in a matrix;

one of said slotted partitions having a flexible tab at the end thereof, said

flexible tab comprising a second component of said two part hook and loop

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fastener adapted for engagement with said first component of said two part hook and loop fastener without bending any of said partitions.

11. The partition assembly of claim 10 wherein each of said partitions is plastic.

12. A partition assembly for insertion into a container, said container having walls extending upwardly from a bottom, said bottom and walls defining an interior of said container, the linear distance between inner surfaces of two opposed walls of said container defining a width of an interior of said container and the distance between inner surfaces of the other two opposed walls of said container defining a length of said interior of said container, one component of a two part hook and loop fastener being secured to an inner surface of one of said walls of said container, said partition assembly comprising:

a plurality of first slotted partitions, each first slotted partition having a series of slots extending inwardly from an edge thereof;

a plurality of second slotted partitions, each second slotted partition having a series of slots extending inwardly from an edge thereof;

said first and second slotted partitions being arranged in a matrix, one of said slots of a first slotted partition being engaged with one of said slots of a second slotted partition at an intersection;

each of said first slotted partitions being shorter than said width of said interior of said container and each of said second slotted partition being shorter than said length of said container;

one of said slotted partitions having a flexible tab at the end thereof, said flexible tab comprising a second component of said two part hook and loop fastener for engagement with said first component of said two part hook and loop fastener.

13. The partition assembly of claim 12 wherein each of said partitions is plastic.

14. A method of removably securing a partition assembly inside an interior of a container, said partition assembly comprising intersecting partitions, said method comprising the steps of:
- 5           securing a first component of a hook and loop fastener to an inner surface a wall of said container;
- securing a second component of said hook and loop fastener to one of said partitions; and
- securing said first and second components of said hook and loop fastener together without bending said partitions.
15. The method of claim 14 wherein second component of hook and loop fastener is adhesively secured to said one of said partitions.
16. The method of claim 14 wherein first component of hook and loop fastener is adhesively secured to said container wall.

17. A method of removably securing a partition assembly inside an interior of a container, said partition assembly comprising a plurality of first slotted partitions intersecting with a plurality of second slotted partitions, said container having walls extending upwardly from a bottom defining an interior of said container, each of said partitions being a length such that said partition assembly may fit inside said interior of said container without bending any of said partitions, said method comprising the steps of:

- securing a first component of a hook and loop fastener to an inner surface of one of said container walls;
- securing a second component of said hook and loop fastener to one of said slotted partitions; and
- securing said first and second components of said hook and loop fastener together.

18. The method of claim 17 wherein second component of hook and loop fastener is adhesively secured to said one of said slotted partitions.

19. The method of claim 17 wherein first component of hook and loop fastener is adhesively secured to said one of said container walls.

20. A method comprising the steps of:
- securing a first component of a hook and loop fastener to an inner surface of a container wall; and
  - securing a second component of said hook and loop fastener to a partition of a partition assembly comprising intersecting partitions so that said partition assembly may be removably secured in said container by contacting said first and second components of said hook and loop fastener together without bending said partitions.